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methods of increasing cerebral bioavailability of a drug
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TI Normal and pathological distribution of nitric oxide in the cardiovascular system.

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SO Polish Journal of Pharmacology, (Nov.-Dec., 1998) Vol. 50, No. 6, pp. 387-391.

ISSN: 1230-6002.

DT Article

LA English

AB Using microsensors, it is possible to quantify the amount and concentration of nitric oxide (NO) release throughout the cardiovascular system in veins, arteries and the heart. Under normal physiological conditions a well defined distribution of NO is maintained. This concentration depends on the laminar, turbulent, or pulsatile flow rate of blood. Significantly reduced production of NO is observed in the pathogenesis of cardiovascular disorders like hypertension, atherosclerosis and diabetes. This is due to increased generation of superoxide by a dysfunctional endothelium and the rapid formation of peroxynitrite followed by formation of peroxynitrite followed by the formation of highly reactive OH and NO₂ radicals and NO₂⁺. Elevated concentration or improved mass transport of L-**arginine** and (6)-5,6,7,8-**tetrahydrobiopterin** can be applied to increase/decrease NO/superoxide release by the dysfunctional endothelium.

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IT . . .
atherosclerosis: pathogenesis, vascular disease; diabetes: endocrine disease/pancreas, vascular disease, pathogenesis, metabolic disease; hypertension: pathogenesis, vascular disease

IT Chemicals & Biochemicals
(6)-5,6,7,8-**tetrahydrobiopterin**; nitric oxide:
cardiovascular, normal distribution, pathological distribution,
pathogenic role; L-**arginine**

IT Alternate Indexing
Atherosclerosis (MeSH); Diabetes Mellitus (MeSH); Hypertension (MeSH)

RN 10102-43-9 (NITRIC OXIDE)

74-79-3 (L-**ARGININE**)

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 AN 1999:56971 BIOSIS
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 TI Anti-pterins as tools to characterize the function of
tetrahydrobiopterin in NO synthase.
 AU Boemmel, Heike M.; Reif, Andreas; Froehlich, Lothar G.; Frey, Armin;
 Hofmann, Heinrich; Marecak, Dale M.; Groehn, Viola; Kotsonis, Peter; La,
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 SO Journal of Biological Chemistry, (Dec. 11, 1998) Vol. 273, No. 50, pp.
 33142-33149.
 ISSN: 0021-9258.
 DT Article
 LA English
 AB Nitric oxide synthases (NOS) are homodimeric enzymes that
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 L-biopterin (H4Bip) for maximal activity although the mechanism is not
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 elucidate further H4Bip function in purified NOS, we developed two types
 of pterin-based NOS inhibitors, termed anti-pterins. In contrast to type
 II anti-pterins, type I anti-pterins specifically displaced
 enzyme-associated H4Bip and inhibited H4Bip-stimulated NOS activity in a
 fully competitive manner but, surprisingly, had no effect on basal NOS
 activity. Moreover, for a number of different NOS preparations basal
 activity (percent of Vmax) was frequently higher than the percentage of
 pterin saturation and was not affected by preincubation of enzyme with
 H4Bip. Thus, basal NOS activity appeared to be independent of
 enzyme-associated H4Bip. The lack of intrinsic 4alpha-pterincarbinolamine
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 IT . . . Concepts
 Enzymology (Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics); Methods and
 Techniques
 IT Chemicals & Biochemicals
 anti-pterins: chemical tool; nitric oxide synthase [NOS];
tetrahydrobiopterin: functional characterization;
 tritiated-PHS-176: photoaffinity label; L-**arginine**
 IT . . .
 Systems S-tagged domain purification protocol: Isolation/Purification
 Techniques: CB, purification method; 2',5'-ADP-Sepharose affinity
 chromatography: affinity chromatography, purification method
 IT Miscellaneous Descriptors
 L-**arginine** turnover
 RN 2236-60-4D (PTERINS)
 17528-72-2 (**TETRAHYDROBIOPTERIN**)
 125978-95-2 (NO SYNTHASE)

125978-95-2 (NITRIC OXIDE SYNTHASE)
74-79-3 (L-**ARGININE**)
7783-20-2 (AMMONIUM SULFATE)
10102-43-9 (NITRIC OXIDE)
2236-60-4 (PTERIN)

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AN 1999:49154 BIOSIS

DN PREV199900049154

TI Induction of inducible nitric oxide synthase and its corresponding

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GTP-cyclohydrolase I during cutaneous wound repair.

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SO Journal of Investigative Dermatology, (Dec., 1998) Vol. 111, No. 6, pp. 1058-1064.

ISSN: 0022-202X.

DT Article

LA English

AB Recent work has suggested a possible role of nitric oxide, a free radical gas, during the wound healing process. In this study we investigated the regulation of inducible nitric oxide synthase (iNOS) and GTP-cyclohydrolase I (GTP-CH I), the rate-limiting enzyme in the biosynthesis of the iNOS cofactor (6R) 5,6,7,8-**tetrahydrobiopterin** (6-BH4), during the repair process. We found a similar time course of induction of iNOS and GTP-CH I expression, whereas absolute expression levels were different for both genes. Immunohistochemical analysis revealed colocalization of iNOS and GTP-CH I proteins in the wound. Systemic treatment with glucocorticoids significantly altered the expression levels of iNOS and GTP-CH I. Expression of iNOS and GTP-CH I was suppressed by glucocorticoids in normal, and to a much greater extent in wounded skin. Furthermore, a role of nitric oxide as a novel mediator of gene regulation during healing is suggested by the demonstration of nitric oxide-mediated induction of vascular endothelial growth factor expression in keratinocytes. These findings may provide an explanation for the beneficial effects of orally supplemented L-**arginine** on wound healing, and suggest that a disturbed induction of iNOS and GTP-CH I expression may at least partially underlie the wound healing defect seen in glucocorticoid-treated animals.

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Diseases

wound healing defect: integumentary system disease

IT Chemicals & Biochemicals

glucocorticoid; inducible nitric oxide synthase: induction;

GTP-cyclohydrolase I: expression, **tetrahydrobiopterin**

-cofactor-synthesizing enzyme; L-**arginine**

RN 125978-95-2 (NITRIC OXIDE SYNTHASE)

37289-19-3 (GTP-CYCLOHYDROLASE I)

74-79-3 (L-**ARGININE**)

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AN 1999:48165 BIOSIS

DN PREV199900048165

TI Biosynthesis of NO: Mechanism, regulation and control.

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SO M-S (Medecine Sciences), (Nov., 1998) Vol. 14, No. 11, pp. 1185-1195.
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DT General Review

LA French

SL French; English

AB Nitric oxide (NO), a reactive molecule, is a biological mediator synthesized by the three isoforms of NO synthase (NOS), two of which are constitutive (NOS-1 and NOS-3), and one inducible (NOS-2). These homodimeric heme enzymes catalyze the oxidation of their substrate, **L-arginine**, in the presence of NADPH, molecular oxygen and **tetrahydrobiopterin**, into a hydroxylated intermediate, NOHA, and then into citrulline and NO. The heme is probably responsible for both steps of product formation. The C-terminal half of NOS has a sequence homology with cytochrome P450 reductase. In the N-terminal half, where substrate oxidation is carried out, comparison to P450 shows the conservation of several amino-acids surrounding the cysteine responsible of heme coordination. NOS is therefore an autonomous P450 system. Furthermore, the dimeric structure of NOS-2 is essential for its activity, potentially because it is crucial to re constitution of the active site. Two recent crystal structures of NOS-2 (monomer and dimer) show unique features in NOS structure. Oxidation of NOHA into NO by NOS is an atypical monooxygenation because it requires only a half-equivalent of NADPH. NOS-mediated NOHA oxidation into citrulline and NO might be carried out in a unique mechanism by an iron peroxide resulting from molecular oxygen binding to NOSFe(II). The NOS are regulated in a number of ways, including transcriptionally (especially NOS-2), by calcium/calmodulin binding (for the constitutive isoforms), by some of their cofactors, and by their substrates and products. At low levels, NO seems involved in the transmission of information, especially in blood pressure regulation, as a vasodilator, and in the nervous system. NO production at higher doses plays a role in immune response, through its cytostatic and cytotoxic properties, but also in several pathologies, including septic shock. As attempted treatments of the latter have shown, the selectivity of NOS inhibition is crucial to its therapeutic efficacy. Beyond action on its characteristics that are shared by other enzymes, which would therefore lack selectivity, selective NOS inhibition could be obtained by competitive substrate binding inhibitors, like S-alkylisothioureas or Nomega-propylarginine.

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DN PREV199900035321

TI **Tetrahydrobiopterin**, cytokines, and nitric oxide synthesis.

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SO Proceedings of the Society for Experimental Biology and Medicine, (Dec., 1998) Vol. 219, No. 3, pp. 171-182.

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DT General Review

LA English

AB Nitric oxide synthases require a surprisingly rich selection of cofactors to perform the conversion of L-**arginine** to citrulline and nitric oxide (NO): NADPH, FAD, FMN, heme and **tetrahydrobiopterin**. In a previous minireview in this journal we summarized work concerning the induction of **tetrahydrobiopterin** biosynthesis by cytokines, which yields increased intracellular tetrahydrobiopterin concentrations supporting NO formation by intact cells (P.S.E.B.M. 203:1-12). The present review updates work on the induction of **tetrahydrobiopterin** biosynthesis by cytokines, and summarizes recent advances in research of **tetrahydrobiopterin** dependence of the NO synthase reaction. Studies using recombinant NO synthases and site-directed mutations thereof have localized several amino acids critical for **tetrahydrobiopterin** binding, which are discussed in reference to the recently published crystal structure of the dimer of the oxygenase domain of murine inducible NO synthase with substrate and pterin. Allosteric actions of **tetrahydrobiopterin** on NO synthases are stabilization of dimers, stabilization of a conformation with high-spin heme iron, and support of binding of the substrate L-**arginine**. Since the 4-amino analog of tetrahydrobiopterin, which is a dihydropteridine reductase inhibitor, supports these allosteric actions but inhibits the enzyme activity, **tetrahydrobiopterin** appears to play a redox-active role in stimulating the NO synthase reaction in addition to its allosteric actions on NO synthases. Amelioration of endothelial dysfunction by tetrahydrobiopterin in animal models and in humans in vivo has been observed. It remains to be investigated, however, to what extent the role of **tetrahydrobiopterin** as cofactor of NO synthases contributes to these in vivo effects of **tetrahydrobiopterin**.

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IT Major Concepts

Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics

IT Chemicals & Biochemicals

cytokines; nitric oxide synthase; nitric oxide: synthesis;

tetrahydrobiopterin: biosynthesis, enzyme cofactor

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 AUTHOR(S):
 CORPORATE SOURCE: (1) Inst. Pathophysiol., Charles Univ., Med. Fac. Plzen, CZ-301 66 Plzen Czech Republic
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 DOCUMENT TYPE: Article
 LANGUAGE: English
 AB Taking into account our previous results on dopamine and nitric oxide effects on neonatal inhibitory learning and memory in rats, the mutual interactions of the two molecules were studied in this experimental paradigm. Both increased dopamine content and nitric oxide bioavailability in the brain after application of dopamine and L-arginine as substrate for nitric oxide synthase solutions into lateral cerebral ventricles improved learning and 24 h memory. Joint application of dopamine and L-arginine yielded still more improvement. Learning and memory processing were dose dependently enhanced by D-1 receptor agonists as well, whereas D-1 receptor antagonists had an opposite and also dose-dependent effect. Dopamine or D-1 receptor agonists administered together with nitro-L-arginine, a nitric oxide synthase inhibitor that impaired learning and memory due to a decreased nitric oxide availability, antagonized the effect of nitro-L-arginine, as did L-arginine. D-1 receptor antagonists impaired both learning and memory, and L-arginine rendered learning values normal. The dopamine and D-1 receptor-agonist effect on 24 h memory was concentration dependent, and their higher concentrations substantially increased the retention indexes. The intimate mechanisms of these interactions are to be identified in further experiments.

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 Endocrine System - Neuroendocrinology *17020
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 BC Muridae *86375
 IT Major Concepts
 Behavior; Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics; Cardiovascular System (Transport and Circulation); Endocrine System (Chemical Coordination and Homeostasis); Enzymology (Biochemistry and Molecular Biophysics); Membranes (Cell Biology); Nervous System (Neural Coordination)
 IT Chemicals & Biochemicals
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 IT Miscellaneous Descriptors
 BRAIN; DOPAMINE; D1 RECEPTOR; LEARNING; MEMORY; NERVOUS SYSTEM; NEWBORN; NITRIC OXIDE; NITRIC OXIDE SYNTHASE
 ORGN Super Taxa
 Muridae: Rodentia, Mammalia, Vertebrata, Chordata, Animalia
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 animals; chordates; mammals; nonhuman mammals; nonhuman vertebrates; rodents; vertebrates
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